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February 1, 2008

Mr. Donald F. Cuddihee, Sr. 305 Middle Brook Court Greer, South Carolina 29650-3306

RE:

Docket No. 2007-358-E – Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC – Application for Approval of an Energy Efficiency Plan Including an Energy Efficiency Rider and Portfolio of Energy Efficiency Programs

Dear Mr. Cuddihee:

On January 16, 2008, the Commission received your request for a public hearing to be held in Greenville County in Docket No. 2007-358-E. With the merits hearing for that Docket scheduled for February 5, 2008, there was insufficient time to schedule a public hearing prior to the merits hearing. S.C. Code Ann. §1-23-320 (Revised 2005) requires a notice of not less than thirty days in a contested matter.

Because the Commission could not schedule a public hearing in Greenville County prior to February 5, 2008, and comply with the thirty-day notice requirement, your request for a public hearing in Greenville County was denied at the Commission Meeting on January 30, 2008.

Although the Commission was not able to grant your request, the Commission invites you to attend the merits hearing in Docket No. 2007-358-E beginning at 10:30 a.m. on February 5, 2008 in the Commission's hearing room located at 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. If you would like to speak as a protestant in the merits hearing, the Commissioners provide time for protestant testimony at the beginning of the hearing.

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